



December 31, 2018

– MEETING NOTICE –

DELTA INDEPENDENT SCIENCE BOARD

Thursday, January 10, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. PST: Water Supply Reliability Estimation Workshop

Friday, January 11, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. PST: Meeting

1:00 p.m. PST – 4:30 p.m. PST: Water Quality Workshop

Meeting and Workshop Location:

Park Tower, Second Floor Conference Room
980 9th Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Teleconference Location:
2406 Lalor Road
Oregon, Wisconsin 53575

Meeting will be webcast at www.deltacouncil.ca.gov.

Webcast signal may be intermittent due to internet infrastructure at the meeting location.

Purpose:

On January 10, the Delta Independent Science Board (Delta ISB) will host a [workshop](#) to help inform its review on the methods and approaches to estimate water supply reliability in California (see [prospectus](#)). The workshop will help identify priorities for research, areas for collaboration, and directions for improved analysis. Due to the interactive nature of the workshop, the Delta ISB recommends that you register if you are interested in attending (see [registration form](#)), and complete the optional [pre-workshop questionnaire](#) to help inform discussion.

The following day, on January 11, the Delta ISB will meet to discuss the status of its current reviews, including an overview of the [work plan](#), prepared by ESSA (the Delta ISB's contractor), for the Delta Monitoring Enterprise review. In addition, the Delta ISB may take action by finalizing the content of a letter to the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee (DPIIC), regarding the state of interagency science in the Delta, which was motivated by the Delta ISB's review of the [updated Delta Science Plan](#).

In the afternoon, the Delta ISB in collaboration with the Delta Science Program will host a workshop to discuss approaches with the Delta community on how to implement the recommendations identified in the Delta ISB's [water quality review](#).

"Coequal goals" means the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The coequal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place.

THE AGENDA ITEMS LISTED BELOW MAY BE CONSIDERED IN A DIFFERENT ORDER PURSUANT TO THE DETERMINATION OF THE DELTA ISB CHAIR. TIMES LISTED ON THE AGENDA ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY. AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DELTA ISB, ALL ITEMS APPEARING ON THIS AGENDA, WHETHER OR NOT EXPRESSLY LISTED FOR ACTION, MAY BE DELIBERATED UPON AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO ACTION.

Day 1, January 10, 2019: 9:00 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. PST

1. Workshop: Water Supply Reliability Estimation for Delta Water Uses
The first half of the workshop will focus on the current methods to estimate water supply reliability, where different organizations will provide a brief overview of their approach to estimation. It will be followed by plenary and panel discussions in afternoon on issues and challenges with water supply reliability estimation that may result in directions for improved analyses. Click here for the [detailed agenda](#).

Day 2, January 11, 2019: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. PST

1. Welcome and Declarations
2. Delta ISB Chair Report and Business Matters
3. Council Chair and Executive Officer Report
4. Delta Lead Scientist Report
5. State of Interagency Science in the Delta
 - a. Discuss Dealing with Rapid Environmental Change
 - b. Consider Finalizing Content of the Draft Letter to DPIIC (**Action Item**)
6. Reflect on the Water Supply Reliability Estimation Workshop
7. Updates on Other Reviews
 - a. Water Quality
 - b. Ecosystems
 - c. Interagency Ecological Program (IEP)
 - d. Delta Monitoring Enterprise
8. Preparation for Upcoming Delta ISB Meetings
9. Review of Items for Follow-up
10. Public Comments
The Delta ISB will take public comments on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda.

12:00 p.m. ~ Lunch Break (*Reconvene at 1:00 p.m.*)

11. Workshop: Steps Toward Implementing Recommendations from the Delta ISB's Water Quality Review
 - a. Opening Remarks from the Delta ISB
 - b. Presentation: Perspectives from the Delta Science Program and the Delta Stewardship Council
John Callaway, Lead Scientist of the Delta Science Program, will present ideas on how the Council and its Delta Science Program can move forward with the recommendations from the review.

- c. Presentation: An Update on Efforts to Implement Assembly Bill 1755 (AB1755; The Open and Transparent Water Data Act)
Gary Darling of the California Department of Water Resources will provide a presentation on the status of implementing AB1755, and will share his thoughts on whether implementing AB1755 will address the Delta ISB's data management recommendations.

2:00 pm ~ 15 minute Break

- d. Panel Discussion: Ideas for Implementing Recommendations
The Delta ISB will moderate a panel discussion about the findings and recommendations from the review. Panelists include Brian Bergamaschi (United States Geological Survey), Debra Denton (United States Environmental Protection Agency), Janis Cooke (Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board), Lisa Thompson (Regional San), Lynda Smith (Metropolitan Water District of Southern California), and Stephanie Fong (California Department of Fish and Wildlife).
- e. Closing Remarks from the Delta Science Program

4:30 p.m. ~ Adjourned

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- If you have any questions, please contact Edmund Yu at 916-445-0637 or Edmund.Yu@deltacouncil.ca.gov.
 - Members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the Delta ISB on any agenda items except closed session items and those items for which the public has already been afforded such opportunity at an earlier meeting. In addition, comments during the Public Comment period shall be limited to matters within the Delta ISB's jurisdiction and not on the agenda. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Sections 11125.7).
 - Members of the public are encouraged to visit the Delta ISB website at http://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta_science_program/isb/isb_meetings.html to print the background meeting materials. A limited number of copies of these materials will be available at the meeting.
 - If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact the Human Resources Office, Delta Stewardship Council at (916) 445-5511, TDD (800) 735-2929.
 - Note that the Delta Stewardship Council, which provides staff services to the Delta ISB, is under [ex parte communication restrictions](#) with regard to the [Smith Canal Gate Project](#), and cannot discuss the project with anyone outside of the Council, which includes the Delta ISB. The Delta ISB is independent of the Council and is not under ex parte restrictions.